THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) and (b) Commercial development of Railway land has been taken up for the last four years with a view to raise internal resources. To give focussed attention to the scheme, Rail Land Development Authority (RLDA) has been set up. 13 sites all over Railways have been entrusted to the Authority recently.

(c) Two sites at Vishakhapatnam have been entrusted to Rail Land Development Authority (RLDA), Funds generated out of this will be utilized for Railway projects.

Development of Patan-Bhiladi missing link

2093. SHRI JAYANTILAL BAROT: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal received from the Government of Gujarat for development of Patan-Bhiladi missing link;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Rail Vikas Nigam Limited is going to start this work; and

(d) if so, by when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) and (b) Government of Gujarat has requested to take up work on Patan-Bhiladi new line. This work has since been defrozen and preliminary works are being made to take up the work.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Plantation of trees along rail lines

†2094. SHRI JAYANTILAL BAROT:
SHRI SURYAKANT ACHARYA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Railways has any scheme for plantation of trees on either side of the railway lines in the cities; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.